GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Revenue Department - Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired - Disciplinary proceedings under rule - 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charge - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.737 **Dated: 14.08.2023**

Read:

G.O.Ms.No. 235, Revenue (Vigilance-I) Department, Dataed: 01.09.2021

ORDER:

In pursuance to the G.O read above, It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry are proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure - I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II & III).

3. Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired is directed to submit a written statement of his defense within 10 days of receipt of this order.

4. Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired is further informed that if they do not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired is invited to Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964 under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964.

7. The receipt of this Order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler now Retired (Through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri for service and to return the served copy with dated acknowledgement immediately (By RPAD))
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Chittoor District
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ANNEXURE - I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI B.RAMAMURTHY, THE THEN SPECIAL DEPUTY COLLECTOR, HNSS, PILER NOW RETIRED.

Article of charge :

That Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler being a responsible Government Officer, has failed to identify the physical features in the land in Sy.No. 126/6 of Devalapet Village of Pulicherla Mandal though he has personally inspected. He ought to have enquired, verified the records before passing of Award. He has mentioned the name of K. Vinodh for the entire extent of 0.89 acres of the subject land and ignored the other title holders resulting in the payment of entire compensation for the above said land to Sri K. Vinodh. He being LAO has not felt the responsibility cast on the Authority, simply ignored the facts, vitiated the procedure and failed to discharge his duty. Being Quasi Judicial Authority, functioning as LAO under LA Act, he should not give any scope for such adversity in discharging statutory function.

Thus, Sri B.Ramamurthy, the then Special Deputy Collector, HNSS, Piler by his above mentioned acts, has failed to discharge his legitimate duties, showed negligent attitude in protecting the interests of the Government and carelessness in official duties, which is unbecoming of a Government Servant. Thus the individual has violated Rule 3-B of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE - II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI B.RAMAMURTHY, THE THEN SPECIAL DEPUTY COLLECTOR, HNSS, PILER NOW RETIRED.

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The land in Sy.No.126/6 ext 2.35 acres of Devalampet Village of Pulicherla Mandal stands registered jointly in the name of Sri Chimalamarri China Ramaiah and Sri Gundluru Gangulaiah. Out of this total extent an extent of 2.00 acres of land belongs Sri Gundluru Gangulaiah.

During the year 1994, G.Gangulaiah sold away an extent of 1.94 acres out of 2.00 acres to Sri K.Vinodh S/o Rajarathnam Pillai on 23.06.1994, and the vendees name was got entered in Revenue Records and PPB was also issued to the said vendee.

During the year 2008, for the purpose of Land Acquisition to form the HNSS branch canal, the Surveyor, HNSS, Piler unit has subdivided the proposed extent of 0.89 cents as per alignment in the middle of Sy.No.126-6 by splitting the total extent of 2.35 acres into 3 subdivisions viz Sy.No.126-6a-0.98 acres, Sy.No.126-6b- 0.89 acres and Sy.No.126-6c-0.48 acres. The compensation for the land acquired was awarded and paid to Sri K.Vinodh for the Ac 0.89 in SD No 126.6b as the field staff of HNSS noted his name in subdivision statement along with Mango trees and Bore well.

As per the adangal copy filed in the L.A file of HNSS unit, an extent of Ac 1.94 registered in the name of K.Vinodh S/o Rajarathnam Pillai and Ac 0.41 in the name of G.Gangulaiah. But, in the Sub Division statement prepared the Surveyor, Pulicherla (M) the name of K.Vinodh S/o Rajarathnam Pillai was noted for the entire extent of 2.35 and the Surveyor failed to note the structure belonging to Smt G.Chittemma W/o G.Gangulaiah, which is in the acquired extent of Ac 0.89 in SD No 126.6b.

Smt G.Chittemma W/o G.Gangulaiah has applied for correction in the extent from 0.41 cents to 0.06 cents in the notional khata of her husband in her favour and to fix up the boundaries. The concerned Village Revenue Officer, Revenue Inspector and the Tahsildar have incorporated the changes in webland correcting the extent of the land without correcting the sub division number and verifying the ownership of the land.

After land acquisition, an extent of 0.98 acres is available in Sy.No.126-6a including part of the house of Smt G.Chittemma W/o G.Gangulaiah, but the Village Revenue Officer, Revenue Inspector and Tahsildar have issued PPBs to Sri K.Nethaji and Sri Y.Bhuvaneswar to a total extent of 1.05 acres with Sy.No.126-6a1 and 126-6a2, exceeding the total extent of the land. The purchasers are creating troubles to Smt G.Chittemma W/o G.Gangulaiah.

The VRO, the Surveyor, the RI, the Tahsildar as well as the staff of HNSS Unit -II, Piler have failed in indentifying the title holders of acquired land and noting the structure belonging to the petitioner Smt G.Chittemma, which falls in the acquired land measuring an extent of Ac 0.89. The petitioner is also eligible to receive compensation but not awarded to her due to improper enquiry. Though the land acquisition process completed in the year 2009, the Revenue Authorities have not incorporated the changes properly in land records. Taking it as an advantage, the pattadar Sri K.Vinodh sold away an extent of 1.05 acres of land on 04.05.2019 to Sri K.Nethaji and Sri Y.Bhuvaneswar 0.53 and 0.52 cents of land respectively by mentioning the Sy.No.126-6a.

In view of the above it is clear that these unwarranted events took place only due to utter failure of the field staff as well as Officers for not verifying the records and not making personal inspection of the land properly at every stage of LA Proceedings.

Hence, the charge.

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE - III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI B.RAMAMURTHY, THE THEN SPECIAL DEPUTY COLLECTOR, HNSS, PILER NOW RETIRED ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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ANNEXURE - IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI B.RAMAMURTHY, THE THEN SPECIAL DEPUTY COLLECTOR, HNSS, PILER NOW RETIRED ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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